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Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council	Item ID	24948	Agenda Number	33.
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Meeting Date:	6/27/2013	Department:	Fleet Services
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Subject

Approve an ordinance authorizing acceptance of \$2,292,116 in grant funds from the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality; amending the Fiscal Year 2012-2013 Fleet Services Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund (Ordinance No. 20120910-001) to appropriate these funds; and amending the Fiscal Year 2012-2013 Fleet Services Capital Budget (Ordinance 20120910-002) to transfer in \$2,292,116 from the Fiscal Year 2012-2013 Fleet Services Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund to purchase Compressed Natural Gas refuse trucks for Austin Resource Recovery.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$2,292,116 will be provided by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) Texas Clean Fleet Program Grant. The required \$2,296,256 match is available in the Fiscal Year 2012-2013 Capital Budget of Austin Resource Recovery. The grant period is from the execution of the Grant Agreement through May 31, 2015.

Fiscal Note

Fiscal notes are attached.

Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	
For More Information:	Gerry Calk, Fleet Officer 974-1541, Will O'Connor, Vehicle Acquisitions Manager 978-2644.
Boards and Commission Action:	June 12, 2013 - Approved by the Zero Waste Advisory Commission on a 5-0 vote with Commissioners Paine and Ochoa-Gonzalez absent. Recommendation Number: 20120910-001 and 20120910-002.
MBE / WBE:	
Related Items:	

Additional Backup Information

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) has approved the City of Austin Fleet Services as a recipient of a Texas Clean Fleet Program Grant. These grant funds will be used to replace diesel-fueled refuse trucks with Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) refuse trucks for Austin Resource Recovery.

Accepting the grant funds will bring the City closer to its objective of obtaining carbon neutrality by 2020. The projected reduction in Nitrogen Oxide (NOx) in using the cleaner, CNG vehicles is 6.78 tons annually, for a total reduction of 33.90 tons over the five-year activity life of the vehicles. During this five-year activity life, Fleet Services must monitor and report to TCEQ on the mileage and fuel used by the new vehicles. The total project cost is \$4,588,372, of which the TCEQ grant covers \$2,292,116. Austin Resource Recovery, the department that will use these trucks for garbage pickup, will fund the match of \$2,296,256.